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## BENNETT LAUDS GRAMM AS ONE OF "INTELLECTUAL GIANTS OF THE SENATE"

## Texan's departure "great loss"

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Senator Bob Bennett (R-Utah), a senior member of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, today issued the following statement on the announcement by Sen. Phil Gramm (R-TX), former chairman and now ranking Republican of the same committee, that he will not seek reelection next year:

"Few disagree that Phil Gramm is one of the intellectual giants of the Senate.

I've never known a legislator as diligent or hard working. His departure is a great loss to the Senate and his legacy a great benefit to the American people.

"Phil is a good friend and I will miss serving with him."